

LOCAL BRIEFS

—F. H. Handy and family are planning to move to Lorain in the near future.

—At the Farm Bureau meeting and institute in Medina Saturday the annual election of officers will take place.

—As a part of the evening service at the Congregational church, Sunday, Dec. 28, the choir will sing a Christmas oratorio.

—Farmers institute was held at Sharon Center Monday and Tuesday. Despite the cold weather most enjoyable sessions were held.

—There was a large attendance at the bazaar and supper given by the ladies of the Episcopal church last Friday afternoon and evening.

—Miss Elizabeth Rollins, deputy in the county auditor's office, returned to her duties this week after a several days illness with the grippe.

—Geo. Sherline, of Beebetown, is packing up his family and household effects and will move into the Wm. Bowman property on W. Friendship street.

—Rev. Searles, of Hinckley, occupied the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday. After the Sunday school several converts from Hinckley were baptized.

—Not being able to secure coal the first of the week the Medina Coal Co. ordered a car of coke shipped—this being accessible—to tide over till coal may arrive.

—Committees of two from the membership of the church of Christ canvassed the congregation last Sunday afternoon for money to meet the current expenses of the church.

—As the Odd Fellows were gathering for the reception to Grand Master Chaffin, one local member admitted that he had not attended a regular meeting in 13 years. Some record in Odd Fellowship.

—The bazaar held at Hinckley Friday evening, to amass funds for a monument in commemoration of David Westland and Paul Damon, who fell in the world war, netted a neat sum for the purpose.

—Fred Shaw proved champion at the pie social at the Church of Christ last Friday evening. He bid \$2.40 for his pie. The sale netted \$28.12. The evening proved a pleasant social affair.

—Several of the young people, who had been reading the prophecy that the world was coming to an end this week, were quite worried. This prophet having proved false, it will take a bigger and better story to fool them a second time.

—The Delco light man furnished electric lighting for the institute held at Weymouth Friday and Saturday. There was a large attendance at the evening sessions, and the concert by the Columbus glee club Saturday evening was especially enjoyable.

—A neighbor called on D. R. Pelton Sunday to notify him that his store was open and a customer wandering about for some one to wait on him. A visit to the store disclosed the fact that the door was ajar, but no one was found there and no trace of anything missing.

—Should the coal shortage in Medina remain acute it may not be an unusual sight to see county officials wearing their overcoats while at work. Al Smolk, court house janitor, notified county commissioners that the county coal supply would hold out only until the first of the new year.

—The Medina colored people who have recently organized a church here and purchased property for church purposes on Bronson street, were given possession the first of the month. Partitions have been removed, pulpit built, chairs purchased, and services and Sunday school held in the new place of worship.

—Friday evening dances being given in Odd Fellows hall under the auspices of the Medina Rebeccas are proving a great success. The attendance last Friday night was all that could be comfortably cared for on the floor. Announcement has also been made of a dance to be held on Xmas night.

—A Cleveland, Southwestern car on Sunday night of this week crashed into an automobile at the Penfield crossing, near the west county line and four miles north of Elyria, injuring five persons, two of whom it is thought will die. The crossing

where the accident occurred, is said to be a death trap as high banks obstruct the view.

—R. W. Crites sold his home at 522 S. Elmwood last week to Edgar Wiley.

—Stanley Funk last week purchased two lots in a popular new allment in East Cleveland, as an investment.

—Members of the Winyah club and their lady friends will be entertained in the club rooms on New Years eve with cards and dancing, followed by a buffet lunch.

—Plans are being perfected for a series of gospel meetings in the M. E. church, some time in January. Further announcement will follow when the exact date has been determined.

—Schools will close next Tuesday evening and remain closed for the holiday season until the Monday succeeding Jan. 1—they will re-open on Jan. 5. This will give Medina young people a ten day vacation.

—The thermometer has been hovering round zero these last few mornings with no relief in sight. Those fortunate enough to have a plentiful supply of coal have been kept busy shoveling it in their furnaces.

—In another column we print an article from a Norwalk correspondent relative to the lighting plant in that city, furnished by an interested citizen of Medina. There is much to consider in the article in question.

—Frank Renz, of Renz Bros., harness makers, went rabbit hunting on Monday and came back with five dead bunnies. He said the wind almost froze his face, but once on the trail he did not intend to return empty handed, and he didn't.

—The Poe Sunday school has plans perfected for a Xmas entertainment on Wednesday night, before Christmas. The program will be largely by the little folks, with music by the choir. The plan is to have an enjoyable treat, with the needs of the little folks as first consideration.

—Harry H. Weiss, internal revenue collector, announced that he has prepared a list of over 60,000 names of persons who have paid their income tax. These lists will be posted in prominent places, according to Mr. Weiss. Whether they will include citizens of Medina county, or just those in the city of Cleveland, could not be learned.

—Old timers squinted at the back porch thermometers Wednesday morning around seven o'clock and saw five above, unless it had happened that the mercury had given up hope of dropping down to its dugout. Gas pressure was slightly lower than usual, and a few reported being unable to properly heat their houses. While the supply of coal reaching Medina is limited there seems to be little or no actual suffering from the cold spell.

—The Loyal Daughters, a Church of Christ organization, will give an entertainment at the church this Friday evening. Stereopticon pictures will be shown of the "Other Wise Man." In addition there will be several songs illustrated, among them the "Ninety and Nine" and "The Holy City." No admission will be charged but funds taken in collection will go to the orchestra fund.

—A Christmas cactus—sometimes called a pear cactus—at the home of I. B. Winter, near Poe, is in full bloom at this time. There are more than 300 buds on the tree, which is 23 years old, and at this time there are 82 in blossom. It is a very handsome sight, and Miss Winter photographed it Sunday. While the flowers are handsome there is little or no fragrance.

—Emanda Fisher, mother of Mr. E. W. Fisher, of 308 E. Friendship street, died at her son's home on Sunday, Dec. 14, at 11:30 p. m. Mrs. Fisher was a widow and had been making her home with her son for some time past. She was 74 years of age. The body was shipped Tuesday morning to her old home at Point Pleasant, W. Va., where funeral services and burial will be held.

—There is considerable sentiment in the community," said one pastor Monday, "towards the holding of union evangelistic service some time this winter in Medina. Already one or more churches are planning for a series of such meetings, which is a good thing, but to me it looks as if we might do a greater good, build up a stronger feeling of church unity, if we were to get some good man to come here and hold union services. They might be conducted for a few

nights in one church, then go to a second, or follow out any plan that promised good results."

—The Odd Fellows will initiate three candidates on Monday night.

—There were but 8 cars in the N. O. Ry. yards Thursday, a cleanup not often occurring here.

—R. W. Crites and family will move into the Will Ulmer home on N. Court street within a few days.

—The K. O. T. M. will give a masquerade ball in the hall at Erhart on Saturday evening. There will be four prizes.

—Walter Bowman has sold his house on Blake street to a Mr. Charlton, of Hinckley. Possession will be given April 1.

—Installation of newly elected officers of the Odd Fellows lodge will occur early in January, definite date not having yet been determined.

—Billy Rickard was house cleaning the first of the week. It was a little cold, and unusual, but what did this old pioneer care for a little weather.

—One of the twins—the daughter—born to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Pierce, of West Washington street last week, died on Monday and was buried in Spring Grove cemetery.

—Geo. F. High has one of the best thermometers installed at his home. The mercury in it showed 6 below zero Wednesday night and at zero about 7 a. m. Thursday.

—The G.R.O.W. class and school will give a Xmas entertainment at the Poe hall Friday evening, Dec. 19, at 7:30. Admission fee 10 cents. Proceeds go to piano fund.

—At a recent meeting of the trustees of the Congregational church it was voted to raise the salary of the pastor of that church, Rev. W. J. Drew, \$500. This will in a measure make up for the high cost of living.

—Railway men and Medina coal dealers are prophesying that there will be plenty of coal for all local requirements as soon as two or three cars can be sent in here to relieve the present shortage.

—Eva, sixteen year old daughter of Claud Hazen, Branch road, was taken to Fairview hospital Tuesday morning where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. Wednesday her condition was reported as well as could be expected.

—There was plenty of smoke in the Abrams clothing and High's jewelry stores Thursday morning. The fumes at both stores became glazed over, obstructing the draft, and the stores were so full of smoke that all the doors had to be opened to clear the atmosphere.

—The severe weather freezing the earth solid work on the new Gibbs garage on S. Court street came to an end last week. The Messrs. Gibbs are receiving new materials for use later on but unless the weather moderates it may be several weeks before much further work can be done.

—At the farmers institute held at Weymouth Friday and Saturday it was decided to try and get a State Institute for next year. The church was specially lighted by electricity for the occasion, the Delco people giving a demonstration of the efficiency of that system.

—Darkness creeping over the city Monday night, in the absence of electric lights, was caused by a break in the feed wires near the city limits of Medina. The break was caused by the worn-out condition of the equipment. People who seem to know say that new equipment must soon be installed if anything like a fair service is to be maintained; and they add that plans are on foot for the installation of this new and added equipment.

—Xmas music in the Methodist church this year will be held on the Sunday, Dec. 28, instead of the Sunday preceding Xmas day. This change was thought advisable from the fact that Dec. 28 is the regular vesper service Sunday. The service on this day will begin at 4 p. m. and will include a choir of 35 girl voices, an orchestra, and soloists, including Fred Bohley, Mrs. P. C. Birelow and Miss Mildred Schlabach. The music will be under the direction of Mr. John Beck.

VIGILANCE IS PRICE OF PEACE AND SAFETY

Medina would be a good town to plunder some evening when the lights go out suddenly. Under such circumstances it would prove an easy matter for a gang, scattered in the stores where there was worth-while plunder in sight, to at once start on a general clean-up. The merchant, told to put his hands up, could not determine whether or not it was wise to fight, and in consequence would quickly decide for himself that it were wise to listen to the behest to stick his digits into the air.

Naturally, when once a gang has determined to give Medina a real good cleaning, the gang would not wait until such time as the lights went out of themselves. He would cut the wires and allow the merchants to think it was a freak of the electric current; permit him to imagine that the lights would be back on in a moment. But while the lights were off he would pack up the merchandise picked beforehand for pillage, and then escape in the darkness.

"A stitch in time may save nine," and now is a good time to fix up your lighting system before some gang gets wise to conditions here and plans for a raid on Medina stores. A handy lamp, or extra gas service, would cost less than to replace plunder once stolen.

SERIES SEVEN SERMONS BY REV. BRYNTON

Sunday evening Rev. Brynton preached the second in a series of sermons on the general topic of "Missions to the Seven Churches." The sermons are based on the inspiring themes as found in Revelations. There will be seven sermons in the series, one being given each Sabbath.

The third in the series will be given Sunday evening. The topic for the evening will be "The White Stone and the New Name."

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GARFIELD AND LINCOLN TEACHERS ENTERTAIN

One of the most enjoyable social events of the winter was the social evening in the Garfield building last week Thursday. At that time the Garfield-Lincoln teachers entertained the High school instructors.

Principal among the features on the program was a Xmas tree with favors for everyone present. There was a bountiful lunch served, followed by cards and a social good time. Mr. Knickerbocker was the only outside guest honored with an invitation.

OFFERED \$300 MORE TO COME TO CINC

Cincinnati is trying to get one of Medina's good teachers away from Prof. Conkle by the offer of more money. Miss Marie Louise Davis, teacher of English, is a Cincy girl and the superintendent there has offered her \$300 more a year, work to begin in February.

Miss Davis, however, likes her work here, feels that she is acquiring an experience that will make her proficient, and wishes to stay. She will go to Cincy for her Christmas vacation, and it is possible her parents and friends may over persuade her. But at this time she is planning to stay the year out in Medina, and trust to luck that she may be given a more lucrative contract in some other city next year. She is doing good work here and Prof. Conkle would hate to lose her.

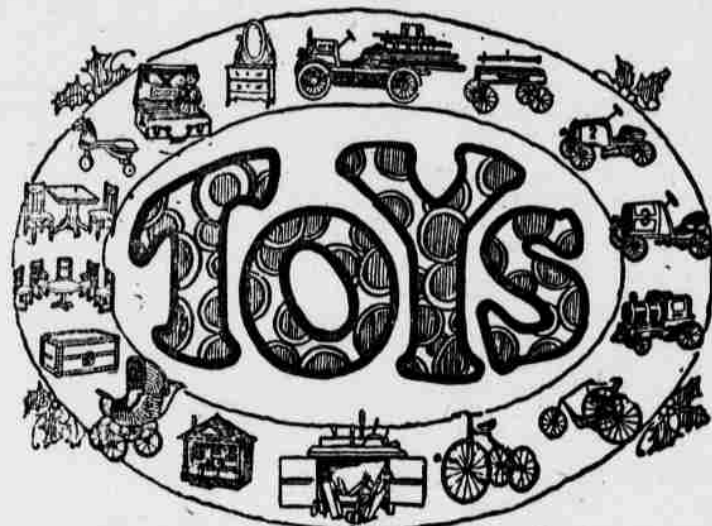
JANUARY MEETING PLANS INCLUDE SPECIAL TALK

The Kiwanis club, recently organized in Medina, has as members some of the best business men in the city. The Board of Trade, comprising practically all the business men, is another worthy organization. Both are interested in the uplift of Medina and hope for an expansion of business interests and the combined welfare of all.

It has been customary for the Board of Trade to hold a monthly meeting, and at certain of these gatherings speakers from abroad have been brought in to give a talk on some vital topic. Account the holiday rush the December meeting was omitted, with a view to making the January meeting a banner affair. Prof. Hutton, of Western Reserve, has been spoken of as a speaker possibility for that occasion. Now a movement is on foot to have both these organizations unite in making this a mid-winter event; to get one or two especially strong speakers and put on a program that will interest every business man and representative citizen in the city.

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Ladies' Voil Waists	\$1.59, \$2.98
Ladies' Umbrellas	\$1.98
Ladies' Flannelette Gowns	\$1.98, \$2.25
Ladies' Sweater Coats	\$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50
Box Paper	25c, 50c, 65c, 75c
Toilet Sets	\$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.50
Dressing Combs	25c, 50c, 75c
Hair Brushes	75c, \$1.25, \$2.50

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Men's Bill books	75c, \$1.00, \$1.50
Men's Wool Scarfs	\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50
Shaving Brushes	25c, 45c
Clothes Brushes	35c, 50c, 85c
Hair Brushes	25c, 35c, 50c, 75c
Military Brushes—set	\$1.59, \$2.00
Men's Purses	25c, 35c, 50c
Men's Supporters	19c, 25c, 35c
Men's Ties	25c, 39c, 75c, \$1.25
Men's Shaving Sets	\$1.50, \$2.50
Men's Pocket Knives	\$1.00
Men's Silk Sox, pair	75c, 95c
Men's Lisle Sox, pair	50c, 65c
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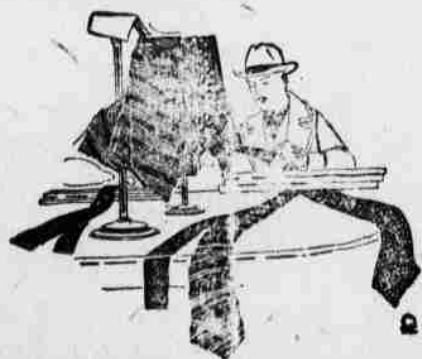
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